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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Re: Application of: Anand R. Baichwal, et al.
Serial No.: 09/676,376
Examiner: Todd Ware Art Unit: 1615
Filed: September 29, 2000
For: **SUSTAINED RELEASE MATRIX SYSTEMS
FOR HIGHLY SOLUBLE DRUGS**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

December 3, 2002

Box: AF
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2002 from November 3, 2002 to December 3, 2002.

It is noted that an extension of time for one month from October 3, 2002 to November 3, 2002 was previously filed on November 1, 2002. Accordingly, the one month extension fee of \$110.00 is being subtracted from the two month extension fee of \$400.00 and a \$290.00 fee is enclosed. A fee of \$320.00 is also enclosed to cover the fee for the accompanying Notice of Appeal. If it is determined that any additional fees are due or if any fees have been overpaid, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the deficiency or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Respectfully submitted,
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